

# **MINUTES**

## **CITY OF AUBURN TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

*December 21, 2004 @ 8:30 A.M.*

MEMBERS PRESENT: Willick; Richardson; Clark; Nesbitt; Merz  
MEMBERS ABSENT:  
OTHERS PRESENT: (See attached list)

1. **Public Comment** – None
2. **Minutes:** Approval of October minutes was postponed due to a lack of quorum of those having been present at the meeting (change in committee membership).

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

#### **3. *Request for 8-Hour Parking, X-Walk & Street Light @ Casablanca Spa, 1237 High Street***

Spa owner, Shari Smith, was present, and presented her request for a crosswalk, street light & 8-hour parking. The parking was recently changed to 3-hour, which is very inconvenient for spa employees. Willick explained that the parking limitation was changed to reflect City Ordinance and City policy pertaining to the “Central Business District” (to alleviate parking space usage by PHS students). Because the changes were made according to the Ordinance, they cannot arbitrarily be changed. Parking lines have been painted, however, to distinguish the proper parking spaces. Richardson talked to DBA after a site visit with Sonny Harris, and DBA representative, Roper, has agreed to have a letter to Richardson by January as to the DBA wishes pertaining to this area. The Traffic Committee needs the blessing of the DBA prior to approaching City Council with proposed changes of any kind at this point.

The building across the street is currently under renovation, and there is a possibility that Casablanca may move to that building, doubling their current work/parking space. Smith questioned whether her requested improvements should be a part of the building’s renovation.

The pole blocking Casablanca’s sign needs to be removed, but we’ll wait until January to see if the parking limits should be changed. Chief Willick agrees with need for street light at this area, and there has already been some discussion with PG & E to move the light from Morgan Court (Magnolia & Tennis) which residents had turned off. The City may have to pay for the move, but it would be money well spent. Sonny to handle installation with PG & E.

#### **4. *Request to Review Intersections of High & Lincoln, Sacramento Street & Maple, Nevada Street & Andrew and Hwy. 49 & Lincoln Way***

The intersection at High & Lincoln (in front of Placer Sierra Bank) can sometimes be confusing to first - time drivers through our city. Sonny Harris & Charles Clark to visit site to determine whether a traffic calming device may be necessary. Cal Trans actually controls this area of roadway as it is part of the State highway, so any changes will have to be routed to them for approval and actual improvements.

Sacramento & Maple: There is a VERY small sign stating “Cross Traffic Does Not Stop”, and there have been numerous accidents at this location. Again, this is a Cal Trans intersection, in fact, Cal Trans has looked at this area many times, their engineers have studied it in depth, with their only solution being to close it off. For now the Committee is comfortable with requesting a larger sign be placed to warn motorists; Clark to write letter to Cal Trans with these requests/recommendations.

Lincoln & 49: Again, Cal Trans territory. Willick suggested Clark field check & touch base with Loots to obtain specifics.

**5. *Request to Relocate the Yellow Loading Zone on Cherry Avenue & Lincoln Way - Solomon***

This loading zone is poorly located, primarily due to the minimal site distance of vehicles turning eastbound on Cherry. Code Enforcement Officer Solomon's suggestion is to move loading zone northward on Lincoln Way, approximately one half block. Clark will visit the site. Additionally, parking t's need to be painted on Cherry to Magnolia. Pending approval of the DBA, and notification to property owners, this will be an action item next month with Clark's recommendations. Nesbitt/ Willick, M/S.

***NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 18, 2005, 8:30 A.M.***